Ms. Melissa Horn Louisiana Board of Ethics P.O. Box 4368 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

RE:

Late Fee Assessment for the October 24, 2015 Election

10-G Campaign Finance Report filed late

Dear Ms. Horn,

I received the attached letter dated May 4, 2016 regarding the above referenced subject. In accordance with the information provided in the letter, I am submitting this letter as my formal request for a waiver to the late fee amount imposed.

When I received the attached letter, I thought that this had to be some mistake since I had remembered filing what I then thought was the last report required. I reviewed my files to go over all of my reports I has sent to the Board. Upon my review, I found the report that was filed on 10/10/15 that was marked as "10th day prior to general" when it should have been marked "10th day prior to primary". This report included the last of the money that I spent on the election which I won on October 24, 2015. I apparently mismarked the "Type of Report" and had it in my mind that I was done with the reporting.

With my campaign, I self-funded this one as I did with my 2 prior ones. I am a 1-man operation that does it all. I wrote my ads, I came up with my platform, and I put up and took down all of my signs all by myself. I asked for the help of nobody. If I were like most others seeking a parish-wide office, I would have had a campaign manager that would have taken care of the reporting. But I did not and the letter has showed me that I simply made a mistake.

I want to apologize to you and the Board for making a mistake and I ask that the Board suspend the late fee amount imposed if at all possible, especially since these funds would have to come out of my pocket as were the funds spent on my campaign. Having to pay the late fee would be a major hit on my financial situation and would really put me in a bind. If suspending the late fee is not possible, I ask that the late fee amount be reduced to some minimal amount.

Please have the Board consider my request for this waiver and let me know if you need any additional information. I have attached the 10-G report I filled out should it be needed,

Sincerely,

Paul J. Hogan, P.E.

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May 13, 2016

Paul J. Hogan 222 Down the Bayou Rd. Des Allemands, LA 70030



Dear Mr. Hogan:

Effective January 1, 2012 ALL major and district office level candidates are required to electronically file their campaign finance disclosure reports. Electronic filing for other candidates is voluntary.

You have been identified as being required to electronically file your campaign finance disclosure reports in connection with the October 24. 2015 election. We are unable to accept reports filed by you in paper form, therefore, the 10-G report you mailed to this office on May 7, 2016 is NOT considered to have been filed. Your reports MUST be filed electronically. Information regarding electronic filing with the Louisiana Ethics Administration Disclosure & Electronic Reporting System (LEADERS), is located on our website www.ethics.la.gov.

You are subject to automatic late filing fees for every day your 10-P report is late after the due date of May 12, 2016. Additional penalties may be assessed if your report is not filed.

Sincerely,

Jenny Arnaud Compliance Officer